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REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 9 and 21-26 are pending in the application. Claims 15-20 have been cancelled. Independent claims 1 and 21 have been amended to clarify minor typographical errors. No new matter has been added.

A number of claims stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,600,775 issued to King et al. that has been discussed in detail in previous responses. In the most current Advisory Action, the Examiner stated that the Applicants' arguments filed September 12, 2006 are not persuasive in that, "the citation clearly shows that the zoom op code relates to a frame and therefore is considered by the Examiner to be video frame information". The Applicant respectfully disagrees in that even if the zoom op code is related to a frame, it in and of itself is not video frame information in the context of the invention. That having been said, the Applicants have amended claims 1 and 21 to more particularly claim what specifically is and is not the video frame information and the op-code instructions. In particular, claim 1 as amended specifies that the annotator tool generates a set of op-code instructions that are executed by a processor and it is the executed op-code instructions cause the processor to permanently modify the video frame information corresponding to the designated video frame portion. Furthermore, claim 1 further states that the the op-code instructions can be used to permanently modify any appropriate video frame information and are thereby independent of any particular video frame information. Claim 1 specifically recites

A video presentation tool kit for creating an annotated video presentation formed of a number of linearly associated video frames each having associated video frame information; comprising:

a user activated designation tool for designating at least a portion of at least one of a number of video frames;

an annotator tool arranged to generate a set of op code instructions used to annotate the designated video frame portion;

a processor arranged to receive the op-code instructions and execute the op-code instructions wherein the executed op-code instructions cause the processor to permanently modify the video frame information corresponding to the designated video frame portion; and

an authoring tool arranged to provide additional effects to enhance the video content modifications of the designated video frame portion, wherein the op-code instructions can be used to permanently modify any appropriate video frame information and are thereby independent of any particular video frame information.

Since King does not anticipate nor reasonably suggest the invention as recited in claim 1, the Applicants' respectfully request that the 102(b) rejection of claim 1 be withdrawn.

Amended independent claim 21 recites limitations that are essentially the same in scope as independent claim 1 and are, therefore, respectfully submitted to be allowable for at least the reasons set forth above for claim 1.

All dependent claims depend either directly or indirectly from claims 1 and 21 and are, therefore, also respectfully submitted to be allowable for at least the reasons stated for claims 1 and 21 above.

A number of other claims stand rejected as being obvious under King in view of Official Notice (at page 5, second paragraph) and as being obvious under King in view of U.S. Patent 6,507,696 issued to Chung, as well as King in view of Chung and further in view of U.S. Patent 6,144,375 issued to Jain. It is the Applicants' belief that none of the cited references (nor the Official Notice) add to King with regard to the claimed limitations of the invention. Therefore, the Applicants' believe that the secondary references fail to cure the fundamental deficiencies of King and respectfully request that the obviousness type rejections thereof be withdrawn.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are allowable. Should the Examiner believe that a further telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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